WASHINGTON, D. C., SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1909.

# FINE APPLES GROW IN WEST VIRGINIA

Three Counties in Panhandle Chief Producers.

BUSINESS BEGAN AFTER WAR

W. S. Miller Was Pioneer Fruit Raiser in Berkeley County-Industry Has Grown to Commercial Proportions Since 1895 - Apple Show in Martinsburg This Week.

Martinsburg, W. Va., Oct. 20.-Seventy main line of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, lies what is known as the Eastern Panhandle of the State of West Virginia. Three counties comprise the panhandle namely, Jefferson, Berkeley, and Morgan, and the first two lie in the Shenandoah Valley, known far and near as one of the most beautiful and fertile sections of the

United States. While this portion of West Virginia has been, and will always be, known as a rich farming country, another industry has been steadily developed for the pas forty years which bids fair to overshadow all others, namely, the production of apples of the highest quality and in enormous quantities.

Berkeley County was settled by the first ploneers who crossed the Bluc Ridge, was fruit trees of the different kinds. Colonists Planted Apples.

Some of the earliest records of the colony of Virginia, which can be seen in tenantry, and one condition of the leases number of apple trees and other fruits on the land they occupied. That these were wise provisions is proved by the large number of very old apple trees still living and bearing fruit.

But these early and subsequent plantenough apples to supply the immediate locality, and no one thought of the apple

Prior to the civil war a few apples were grown and sold in local markets, being handled in a crude manner—hauled loose in wagons and sold from door t

Up to that time the acreage devoted to any one orchard rarely exceeded an acre or two, and the great majority of land owners looked with disfavor on larger

to have apples the entire season. The

county. Mr. Miller grew all kinds of thirty-five bushels an acre.
fruit trees and brought them into bearing. He made a lifelong study of the business, and the experience thus gained and given by him to beginners was of in the same business and own the largest to \$10,000 each. The crop from one orchard acreage of apple and peach orchards in this year sold for \$18,250.

Cold Storage Helps Industry.

the crop and put it on the market gradu- \$15,000 ally so as not to overstock at any time and cause a slump in prices.

pay more for fruit, and large profits were

realized by those having bearing or chards. This in turn stimulated the planting of orchards. More attention was Twelfth Street Property Bought by varieties of apples than before, and those which were of good quality and prolific bearers were planted. Running through the length of Berkeley County, about one mile from Little North northwest, on the west side of that thor-Mountain and parallel to it, is an ele vated ridge of land known from early times as Apple Pie Ridge, so named from the fact that the apple attains its highest state of perfection when grown there. The soil is a fine sand shale wit rich clay subsoil. Practically all of this land, twenty miles long, extending into Virginia, and one mile wide, is planted in apple orchards.

One Variety Produced There. apples grown, namely, the Grimes Golden, the parent tree of which grew up as a seedling in Brooke County, Va. (now West Virginia), on the Ohio River, and on land owned by Thomas Grimes, from whom the apple derived its name.

This variety, conceded by expert pomologists to be one of highest quality, attains its greatest perfection when grown road, at Boston, has been promoted to

on Apple Pie Ridge. here is the York Imperial. The Rome Agent Lyman McCarty, Mr. Scott's title Beauty, Ben Davis, Winesap, M. B. Twig, others are also grown.

keley County began in earnest about 1890. been promoted. Up to this time little attention had been effective November 1. Mr. Scott has been paid to orchard pests and diseases of in the Baltimore and Ohio service for fruit trees. Spraying was practically un- twenty-three years and Mr. Faroat twenheard of. However, nature, whether ty-two years, wisely or not, has inflicted a number of insect pests and diseases of fruit trees upon the apple grower. The Department Agriculture at Washington and the State experiment station have been of great service in teaching us how to fight and control these pests.

Win Fight with Insects.

The result has been that while disthe "bugs." To the novice it would ap- plans prepared by A. H. Beers. pear that continued planting of trees would surely result in overproduction. This will not occur, for several reasons.

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# CORNER HOUSE SOLD.

Lovett Property at Eleventh and M

Streets Brings \$9,500. The three-story brick dwelling at 1248 Eleventh street northwest, at the southwest corner of Eleventh and M streets, has been sold for Mrs. Louisa D. Lovett, of Philadelphia, to a Washlington business man, who will hold the property as an investment.

The house has twelve rooms and bath and is heated by furnace. It occupies a lot 20 feet front by a depth approximateof 110 feet. It is understood that it the nighborhood of \$9,500 was paid for the

The sale was made by Willige, Gibbs & Daniel in conjunction with Ellerson & Vemple and the Swartzell, Rheem & Hensey Company.

# **VIRGINIA**

five miles west of Washington, on the Subject of Institute Lecture in River Counties.

FARMERS TAKE AN INTEREST

Commissioner Koiner Goes to Landings in Steamer and Holds Meetings-Vegetable and Fruit Raising Increases 500 Per Cent in Ten Years. State Shows Great Progress,

G. W. Koiner, commissioner of agriculture and immigration of the State of Virginia, conducted a series of farmers and one of the first things they planted institutes last week at various points along the lower Potomac and Rappahar nock rivers. The commissioner used on of the river steamers, which was temporarily fitted for the purpose. The steamer made several landings in the the county clerk's office at Martinsburg, territory named, and by previous no are leases given by Lord Fairfax to his tice the farmers near the landings gathered to listen to lectures and demonstrawas that tenants should plant a certain tions conducted by the commissioner and

since his return from the trip, that it was as successful as it could well be The attendance at different points was ings were intended to produce only Mr. Kolner says the farmers exhibited all the steamer would accommodate, and intense interest in the subjects discussed. The general subject of the lectures was whelming vote the cause of good roads "Trucking," to which the farmers of the and public improvement has gained a tidewater counties of the State are triumphant victory in Duval County urning attention.

Washington Herald

Truck Interest Brondens.

"I am broadening the trucking interest A few men had foresight enough to up very satisfactorily. During my term Duval County. A few men had foresight enough to up very satisfactorily. During my term plant apple orchards and grow the fruit of office—ten years—the trucking industry has increased in the State 500 per cent.

Orchards Started in 1865.

This year the value of these crops in the first or the work upon which the money will be expended. This will insure the One of the first-probably the first-or- Virginia will be \$15,000,000. These insti- permanency of the improvements to be chard of any size was planted by the late tutes stimulate interest among the farm- made. The entire million dollars will go Jonathan Thatcher on what is now ers, and in addition to the information into the building of roads throughout the known as the Thatcher Homestead Farm, given by the lecturers, I enroll their county, as the bond trustees have shown

"The agricultural development of Vir-The man who is known as the pilneer corn to the acre has increased nine Jacksonville cast 65 for the issue against This little was the later of West Virginia, the late bushels. Last year the average was 30 opposing it. At Moncrief the vote was W. S. Miller, of Berkeley County, was twenty-six bushels an acre, and I do not 14 to 5, at Panama 51 to 8, at Duval 14 to 5, at Panama 51 to responsible more than any one else for want to let up on better corn growing the development of orcharding in this in Virginia until we get an average of

Fruit Growing Increases.

"The alfalfa hay crop from one farm cent years. The perfecting of the cold storage systoms of alfalfa hay finely cured. The arouse enthusiasm in neighboring and under the supervision of the county tem for keeping apples gave a greater largest potato crop in the State this other counties of the State, thus encour-court and the county road engineer. The impetus to the industry than anything search brought \$20,000. One farmer raised aging them to also join in the movement court may appoint a superintendent for the permanent improvement of their each district, who shall, under the direcelse. This enabled the buyers to hold other farmer's tobacco crep brought roads.

"Lands are increasing in value in Vir ginia, and in many sections have doubled This enabled the wholesale buyers to in value in the last five or six years."

# WALLACE HOUSE SOLD.

Mrs. A. C. Mott for \$17,500. The three-story and basement brownstone residence at 1134 Twelfth street oughfare, just north of Ascension Church, has been sold for Mrs. Ellie Victoria Wallace for \$17,500. This house, which is one of the most attractive in the Massachusetts avenue section, has fourteen rooms. three tiled baths, and is heated by hotwater systems.

The house has an attractive exterior lesign, with circular bay-window and massive corrugated tiled roof. It occu pies a lot 23 feet front by a depth of 105 Although not generally known, West feet, the building covering almost the en-Virginia is the home of one of the best tire ground space. The house was purchased by Mrs. A. C. Mott, who will hold the property as an investment

was made through the offices of Willige, Gibbs & Daniel

Promotions in B, & O. Service. James B. Scott, New England passenger agent of the Baltimore and Ohio Railthe vacancy in New York occasioned by The standard commercial apple grown the death of Assistant General Passenger being general Eastern passenger agent. To the Boston vacancy H. B. Faroat, The planting of apple orchards in Ber- city passenger agent in New York, has

Columbia Heights House Sold. Shannon & Luchs report the sale of the residence at 3459 Fourteenth street northwest to Herbert F. L. Allen, who will occupy the property as his residence. It is a corner house, containing ten rooms and two baths, and is heated by hot water. The consideration was \$8,500. couraged at times, we have won out over It was built by Harry Wardman from

A number of oil motor boats ordered from the Osaka Iron Works by the residency general in Korea have been com-The demand for good apples increases pleted and are ready to be sent to Kure be used to guard the Korean coast

# SCENE IN WEST VIRGINIA ORCHARD.



Packing fruit, raised on "Apple Pie Ridge," for shipment to Eastern and Southern Markets.

Overwhelming Victory for Good Roads Down in Florida

Mr. Koiner writes from Richmond, Voters Authorize Issue of \$1,000,000 in Securities for the Purpose,

Jackson ille, Fla., Oct. 30.-By an over-Although the votes are not in from all With reference to the work in general, of the smaller country precincts, it is cer Commissioner Koiner writes to The tain that the vote was at least three to one in favor of the \$1,000,000 bond issue for the improvement of the highways of

The carrying of this election marks a In Berkeley County, in the year 1865. A names on the department mailing list number of varieties were planted so as time.

Martinsburg, W. Va., Oct. 30.—State and lactory sites. The survey for Altanames on the department mailing list their public spirit by agreeing to serve free of charge to the county. This alone laying plans for a meeting of the county time.

Martinsburg, W. Va., Oct. 30.—State Road Commissioner Charles P. Light is laying plans for a meeting of the county.

means a saving of \$20,000. greater part of this block of 500 trees are ginia is increasing steadily from year to nving and bearing profitably. This fruit until recent years was all sold in Maruntil recent years was all sold in Maruntil recent years was all sold in Maruntil recent years. The value of the corn crop in ten years has increased from \$16,500,000 to get and the control of this block of 500 trees are ginia is increasing steadily from year to pecually was this the case in the country districts. In Jacksonville the vote stood years has increased from \$16,500,000 to get and the control of this block of 500 trees are ginia is increasing steadily from year to pecually was this the case in the country districts. In Jacksonville the vote stood years has increased from \$16,500,000 to get and the control of the State at some convenient years. The value of the corn crop in ten years has increased from \$16,500,000 to get and the country districts. In Jacksonville the vote stood of the corn crop in ten years has increased from \$16,500,000 to get and the corn crop in ten years has increased from \$16,500,000 to get and the corn crop in ten years has increased from \$16,500,000 to get and the corn crop in ten years has increased from \$16,500,000 to get and the corn crop in ten years has increased from \$16,500,000 to get and the corn crop in ten years has increased from \$16,500,000 to get and the corn crop in ten years have a gine and the corn crop in ten years have a gine and the corn crop in ten years have a gine and the corn crop in ten years have a gine and the corn crop in ten years have a gine and the corn crop in ten years have a gine and the corn crop in ten years have a gine and the corn crop in ten years have a gine and the corn crop in ten years have a gine and the corn crop in ten years have a gine and the corn crop in ten years have a gine and the corn crop in ten years have a gine and the corn crop in ten years have a gine and the corn crop in ten years have a gine and the corn crop in ten years have a gine and the corn crop in ten

will provide the county with a system of the responsibility of improving the road plants in operation. These include He made a lifelong study of the made a lifelong study of the made as lifelong study of the made the county will be as phenomenal as has been the growth of Jacksonville in recent years. The carrying of the Issue is Under the new law the construction to the country, a large process of the law of farming country, a large process of the country will be a surveyed to set an example that will and a surveyors now in balle Brothers & Co., where been the growth of Jackson will be as the country are also expected to set an example that will and a surveyors now in balle Brothers & Co., where been the growth of Jackson will be as phenomenal as has charge of the various districts of the built, locomotives repaired, &c. Altavista is in the heart of farming country, a large process. this year will bring \$18,000, yielding 1,200 also expected to set an example that will and maintenance of the roads will be

> Animals in British Honduras. The latest estimate of domestic animals

ably not over 100 sheep or goats.

the South is justly proud.

EMPTY ACRES AWAIT SETTLERS.

In view of the increasing depression in the rural and Lancashire dis-

tricts of the British Isles, conditions which have been investigated by a

royal commission and reported upon with genuine alarm, a paper will be

read and discussed at the Southern Commercial Congress, December 6 and

7, on "Opportunity for Southern propaganda in the British Isles." The

paper will be prepared by Thomas L. Field, of London, a Virginian by

birth, resident in England in connection with varied shipping interests.

agricultural opportunities in the South," "Manufacturing opportunities in

the South," and "Colonization Opportunities in the South," will all have

relation to the one subject of attracting to the Souh elements of popula-

tion that will strengthen rather than tear down the civilization of which

in Washington, is already in receipt of letters from owners of large

plantations and real estate men relative to lands that could be grouped

for colonization purposes; and it is hoped that a safe working plan will

Vacant Land in the Southern States.

The above figures show that less than one-quarter of the land area

be evolved from the proceedings of the Congress.

Alabama ...... 32,818,560

Arkansas ..... 32,616,000

Kentucky ..... 25,715,840

Louislana ..... 29.061,760

Maryland ..... 6,362,240

Mississippi ..... 29,671,680

Missouri ...... 43,985,280

South Carolina..... 25,916,800

Tennessee ..... 26,679,680

Virginia ..... 26,767,680

West Virginia..... 15,374,080

improved, according to the census of 1900.

Additional subjects to be considered during the Congress, "Neglected

The committee of arrangements, at the headquarters of the Congress

Total acreage.

612,096,920

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13,741,968

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# BUYS ADDITIONAL LAND.

O. P. Austin Increases Space About Home in Cleveland Pak.

O. P. Austin, of 1620 Massachusetts ave de, has added 3,500 square feet to the Cleveland Park property recently purchased by him for use as a summer residence. The additional ground gives to the property an area of about 15,000 square feet, with a frontage of seventy feet on Newark street, sixty feet or Highland avenue, and 230 feet on Thirty

The property is improved with a sub stantial residence and garage, and a plentiful supply of fruit, shade, and ornamental trees and shrubbery.

# ROAD ENGINEERS WILL MEET

West Virginia.

State Commissioner Light Desires for building a town and the excellent Freig Gathering to Discuss the Local Problems.

Martinsburg, W. Va., Oct. 30.-State laying plans for a meeting of the county

The big bond issue will place Duval in the lead of the countles of the State. It the lead of the countles of the State. It time. The growth and development of people, and the read surveyors now in Lane Brothers & Co., where cars are circles tion of the county court and the county road engineer, devote his entire time an attention to the work, or so much as the county court may direct, and shall re-ceive as compensation for his services in British Honduras is as follows: not less than \$2 per day, or the prevailing Horses, 983; horned cattle, 2,290, and prob- wages of his county for such work, to be determined by the county court.

Altavista, Va., Came Into Being Like a Mushroom.

Site and Proceed to Found a City,

An example of what enterprise will do shown by the progress of the new ilway, eighteen miles south of Lynchrg, where it is crossed by the new Vir- \$25,000,000 of preferred stock. dnian Railway. This town existed in the summer of 1908 only in the minds of Lane Brothers & Co., the railroad conhad the contract for building the new thle track of the South Lynchburg, and the head of the firm, The while on this work, saw the opportunity

location existing. From 1,000 to 1,200 acres of land were purchased, of which 167 have since been Other laid off into town lots, streets, parks, and factory sites. The survey for Altaent town site. To-day there are 100 buildings or more, a 33-room hotel, a General bank structure and bank, factories in Top operation, two railroad depots, two to-The new road law enacted by the last and concrete sidewalks, electtic lights, bacco warehouses, macadamized streets

Altavista is in the heart of a good farming country, a large producer of tobacco, and a good stock raising, fruit and grain growing, region, and the people of the place are laying plans to make it the outlet for a large territory. Al- and knowledge of conditions in the terriready a mile of improved road has been tory in which it operates. onstructed beyond the town limits to a nnection with a country road, a bridge stronger financially and in better conditap an extensive region to the east, and the question of improved country high- ceivers have demonstrated what the sysways reaching out from the place is dis-

for this year's crop, and a tobacco fac-ory is agitated. The beginning of the two years or will follow the old order of owned by Baltimoreans. crop, and undoubtedly an important new pany's embarrassment market will be created, drawing from a lerritory extending east and west for greatest interest centers in the selection fifteen to eighteen miles, and competing of a president and other officers. This considerable trade.

mercantile business is represented, and will be made in time for submission to even one wholesale house has been estable the board of directors on November II. Quite a large area has been set aside for factory sites, and special efforts are to be made to make the town an important one industrially.

### GROUNDPEAS IN NORTHWEST. They Promise Great Results on Nonirrigated Land.

Spokane, Wash., Oct. 30 .- Growing field peas will become a profitable industry in Eastern Washington and other parts of the Northwest, if the crop made by earned only a small margin over the the State College of Washington, at a balance equivalent to 51/2 per cent on industries of its kind in the United States. Pullman, is any encouragement. The the common stock, which is not now on yield amounted to \$74 an acre.

The college farm had fifteen acres in peas, sown broadcast, which gave an average yield of thirty-sever, bushels, Ga., to Palatka, near St. Augustine, on and sold for \$2 a bushel. The Department of Agriculture had 135 plats, each

easy to raise, adding that the soil in the Palouse country appears to be cially adapted to the vegetable. The crop was raised on nonirrigated land.

Out of Receivers' Hands.

Fayetteville, Oct. 30 .- As collateral, \$75 .-000 has been raised on bonds of the Fayetteville Consolidated Power and Street ceiver by Judge Lyon, and as this amount the same amount of business. re than sufficient to liquidate all inof the South is serving agricultural purposes, yet the distribution of rainfall, the steady temperature, the long growing seasons, the varieties of soil, promise pre-eminence to the South in agriculture when science and brawn unite to produce the result. Iowa has \$6 per cent of its farm area tended as far east as the new Cape Fear River bridge.

## CADETS WILL BE USHERS.

Assignment from Business High

to Act at Commercial Congress. One of the interesting features of the oming Southern Commercial Congress in this city will be assignments of severa eadets from the Business High School to act as ushers at the sessions of the congress. An assignment will be made to each session from the several com panies, largely from the commission

One of the objects of the committee in bringing the high school cadets into touch with the active business men of the South is to give the high school students an opportunity to hear about South offers to young men of brains and

Seaboard Earns 3 Per Cent on Preferred Stock.

They Will Be Able to Restore Property to Directorate with Credit of 867.843-General Manager Hix Will

Baltimore, Oct. 39 .- An increase of more han 14% per cent in gross earnings and an increase of 53 per cent in net applicable to interest charges are the more striking features of the September statenent of operations of the Seaboard Air Line Railway.

This is the last statement that will be climax to their work, as it is also indi- excellent street car facilities. Railroad Contractors Find Pretty cative of the prosperous conditions in the

Net earnings applicable to interest for great northwest has been provided with the month amounted to \$446,068.27, and good transit facilities, the northeast has compulsory fixed interest charges under had none north of H street, and east of the reorganization amount to \$274,059. In- north Capitol except the line to Eckingterest on the \$25,000,000 adjustment 5 per ton. While other parts of the district cent bonds calls for \$194,166, leaving a sur- had open communication with the city. wn of Altavista, Va., on the Southern plus of \$87,843, which is at the rate of the region in question was hid more than 3 per cent on the company's and it was useless to build houses, for

# Data Covers Main Line,

The figures given are for the Seaboard from which it was as much Air Line proper and do not include the get to the downtown section Convention Will Be Called Soon in tractors, who are its founders. That firm Old Bay Line and other subsidiaries, the returns of which will add materially to

September showing		
Bevenue.	1909. 1,030,230,25 283,196,80	1908. \$887,10 259,11
as transportation than transportation.	36,812.79 29,660.17 30,782.61 38,845,77	34,5 21,8 13,1 41,0
Expenses.	1,439,456.39 1909.	\$1,256,8 1908
ctures	\$193,582,04 200,902,19 49,297,12 444,184,73 52,442,04	\$205,96 175,0 46,0 440,1 48,1
operating recenue	\$940,388.12 429,008.27 53,000.00	\$915,3 341,4 50,5
rating income	\$446,068.27	\$290,9

The designation of General Manager ate of the Seaboard Air Line Railway to receive and receipt for the physical properties of the company when they are turned over by the receivers on Novem-

# A Competent Official.

Mr. Hix is regarded as one of the most competent operating officials in the South, and especially valuable to the Seaboard because of his familiarity with its affairs

The Seaboard will begin its new career tion physically than ever before. The retem can do when efficiently managed, and Baltimore and the South are curious The two tobacco warehouses are ready to know if the new management will bacco trade is made with this year's things which brought about the com-

Next to the lifting of the receivership ourg and other markets for a matter has been intrusted to a commit-Already nearly every branch of the yet been named. It is likely the selections

# GEORGIA SOUTHERN GAINS.

in Transportation This Year. In line with the improvement exhibited

Its Earnings Reflect Vast Increase

by the Southern Railway in the last year is the showing of one of its controlled lines, the Georgia Southern and Florida Railway. While in the previous year this road

the United States experiment station at preferred dividends it pays in 1909, it had a dividend basis. The Georgia Southern and Florida op-

Ga., to Palatka, near St. Augustine, on the Florida coast. It runs through a Money from Orchards. good timber region and depends to a a rod square, and none went under thir- siderable extent on its lumber traffic. in Eastern Washington are sending large ty-five bushels, while the majority was It has outstanding \$684,000 of first preover fifty bushels.

Officials at the farm say that peas are and \$2,000,000 common. Of this the South-

under \$2,000.000 the Georgia Southern and Growers in the Yakima Valley and dis-Florida had a total income before charges tricts tributary to it are also sending equipment obligations called for \$28,842, the newer districts are making their leaving a balance of \$200,287 for the stock. first shipments to Eastern markets. Railway Company, which was some In the previous year the balance for divimonths ago placed in the hands of a redends was only \$109,397 on practically \$3.25 for Delicious to \$1.90 for Jonathans.

made to Judge Lyon to restore it to its stock of \$111,887, or 5.5 per cent, this year, such as Grimes' Golden Spitzenbergs, proper basis. Receiver W. D. McNeill as compared with \$20,997 in 1908. There and Wagners range from \$2.25 to \$3 a will be reinstated to the position as pres- remained a credit to the profit and loss box of fifty pounds. The crop in Eastern

Germany has 3,000,000 trained soldiers.

# FROM NORTHEAST

## Street Car Service Relieves a Hopeless Situation.

STEAM ROAD TRACKS VANISH

Increase in Real Estate Values and Bullding Activity Will Naturally Follow Improvements of Last Five Years-Region Well Served by the New System of Transit,

Two things have happened to North« ast Washington within five years which will greatly change its prospects. By Northeast Washington is meant more particularly that portion of the city within the old boundaries and immediate

ly contiguous to them. Before the construction of the new railroad terminals and the removal of the railroad tracks in Delaware avenue and street, the northeast section was isolated, and improvement of the entire section was handicapped by the barrier Take Over the Property at Mid- which the railroad tracks interposed. By the removal of that barrier the vacant and unimproved land in that territory was opened up to the rest of the city, and within three years building activity has been notably rapid all through the northeast.

Gets Street Cars at Last.

Two months ago the extensions of the Capital Traction Company's electric railroad gave to the section covered by Florida and New Jersy avenues much given out by Receivers S. Davies Warfield, R. Lancaster Williams, and E. C. week ago the further extension of this Duncan, as the system will be restored line down Florida avenue, and through to the directorate of the company at Eighth street, across the city to the midnight on November 4. It is a fitting pavy yard, has added further to these

This means growth to the northeast for which it has waited long. While the they would not sell. No one cared to live out there in an isolated

Has Good Car Serv The new car facilities gi northwest portion of Washin as good car service as that the rest of the city. Now its assured, and it may be assum sale of lots and the erection

buildings will be given an that quarter which will in years cover the vacant spaces years have been a common in the north-The line of street cars last put into

operation runs in a loop from the car 06.68 barns at the foot of Seventh street south-15.56 west. The route is from the car barn up Seventh street to Florida avenue, thence M6.36 to Eighth street northeast, and down 7253 Eighth street to the navy yard gate. The entire trip takes forty-five minutes There are sixteen cars in operation on

Another new line is the extension of he Fourteenth street line east from the turned over by the receivers on Novem-ber 4 gives satisfaction in local financial along California street and F street northeast. A six-minute schedule is in operation on this line.

# GEAR PLANT TRANSFERRED.

Symington Company Buys Farlow Concern in Baltimore. Baltimore, Oct. 30 .- The board of direc-

tors of the Farlow Draft Gear Company has concluded a deal for the sale of the corporation to the T. H. Symington Company, and the stockholders of the former at a special meeting ratified the transac-The Farlow Draft Gear Company is

It is understood that the purchase prices s \$200 a share and that the cash on hand and other available assets, which will be distributed pro rata among the stockhold.

capitalized at \$100,000, and all the stock is

ers, will give a total of \$250 for each The draft gear which the company makes is very largely used by railroads throughout the country. The company has no manufacturing

nearest to points of delivery. In future the Symington Company will manufacture the gear at its factory in Syracuse. The T. H. Symington Company, which has acquired the Farlow Company, also is a Baltimore enterprise, although its plant is situated near Syracuse, N. was founded by Baltimoreans and is now controlled by Thomas H. Symington and associates, Mr. Symington being presi-

The company manufactures rallway spe cialties and is one of the most successful The main office is in this city.

# WEALTH IN APPLES.

Spokane, Wash., Oct. 30.-Apple growers

consignments of fruit to various parts ern owns \$177,700 of the first preferred, by the Spokane Chamber of Commerce \$309,000 of the second preferred, and \$1,- are that the shipments from the Wenat-691,500 of the common. Each of the pre- chee Valley, in Central Washington, ferred issues pays 5 per cent per annum, average ten cars a day, and that this On gross earnings last year of slightly will continue sixty days.

of \$485,230. Interest on its bonds and out large consignments, while some of Winesaps, the best crop harvested in is more than sufficient to liquidate all indebtedness, application will be at once there remained a surplus for the common quoted at \$2.50, while other varieties. ident and the road will be at once ex- account at the end of the year of \$718,555. Washington is short this season, but the quality is the best in the history of the industry.